

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 727  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Richard Courtney upon his receipt of the Greater Nashville Association of Realtors 2004 Realtor of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Richard Courtney, who was recently honored by the Greater Nashville Association Realtors (GNAR) as the 2004 GNAR Realtor of the Year; and

WHEREAS, a broker with Fridrich & Clark Realty, Mr. Courtney closed 71 properties in 2004, ranging from \$82,000 to \$770,000; and

WHEREAS, throughout his 27 years of real estate experience in Nashville, Richard Courtney has sold over 800 properties, grossing over \$125,000,000 in sales; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Courtney shares his wealth of knowledge about the real estate industry with readers of the *Nashville City Paper* in a weekly column; he is also the author of the critically acclaimed *Buyers Are Liars & Sellers Are Too*; and

WHEREAS, as a professional realtor of the highest caliber, Richard Courtney has received numerous awards and honors, including the GNAR 2004 Platinum Award of Excellence, GNAR Lifetime Award of Excellence (Gold), and the Sterling R Award from the National Association of Realtors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Courtney is an active and important part of his profession, participating in and lending his support to numerous professional organizations, including the Tennessee Association of Realtors, which he has served on the Board of Directors and TRPAC Board of Trustees; GNAR, which he has served on the Board of Directors and as the

Secretary/Treasurer; and the National Association of Realtors, which he has served as the Realtors Political Involvement Committee Coordinator for Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Co-Chair of the Realtor Advisory Committee of Schermerhorn Symphony Hall, Mr. Courtney sits on the Belcourt Theatre's Board of Directors; volunteers for Room in the Inn, Habitat for Humanity, and the American Diabetes Association; and chairs the Nashville Beatles Festival, which he also founded; and

WHEREAS, Richard Courtney epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Mr. Courtney is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Beth; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend Richard Courtney for his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby acknowledge and applaud Richard Courtney upon his receipt of the Greater Nashville Association of Realtors 2004 Realtor of the Year Award, thank him for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.